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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to Final Office Action mailed on June 2, 2004 in connection with the above-referenced matter. A Notice of Appeal was received on November 25, 2005 by the U.S. Patent Office. In lieu of an Appeal Brief, Applicant submits a four-month extension of time, a Request for Continued Examination and the requisite fee. Accordingly, the time for responding is May 25, 2006 and this response is timely filed.

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